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Stable Carboxylated Carbohydrate Products

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Response to Requirement for Election of Species

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The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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Sir:

This paper is in response to a species election requirement mailed October 2, 2002. Applicants elect, with traverse, cellulose as the carbohydrate product, nitroxides of the heterocyclic oxammonium salts as the primary oxidants, chlorine dioxide as the secondary oxidant, and a chlorine dioxide/hydrogen peroxide mixture as the tertiary oxidant in those claims where this election is required.

Examiner to search the entire body of claims than it would to search only the elected species.

Applicants are herewith submitting a Supplemental Disclosure statement listing three recent patents that should be considered by the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,

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